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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director of Central Intelligence

FROM

: Presidential Briefing Coordinator

SUBJECT

: Preparations for 16 January 1979 Presidential

Briefing

In view of the need to hold pre-brief downtown on Monday, I request you review the topics below and select the ones you want to use so I can arrange to get the right people downtown.

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Future Issues. Mr. Bowie plans to go directly to your downtown office from the airport Monday. No package is included here since I understand you have already decided that this will be one topic. I'll provide some backup material for your weekend reading. However, I recommend that you start with something else.

Albania. This could provide a useful lead-in to your Future Issues discussion. It's an interesting situation and if you use the expanded collection discussion it could set the scene that there are intelligence management decisions to be made and they do depend on what senior policymakers care about.

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PDB Coverage. This is an alternate leader or you could hold it as a filler in case the basic discussion peters out.

Soviet Military Expenditures. The annual unclassified study of Soviet Military Expenditures is to be published on 22 January. Since it's not all that different than last year's you need say little about it, but since the tale of Soviet spending will likely arise in the Senate SALT debate I recommend you at least tell the President you are releasing this.

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